

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chairman Jim Shockley, on January 30, 2009 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 335 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Jim Shockley, Chairman (R)
Sen. John Brueggeman, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Keith Bales (R)
Sen. Joe Balyeat (R)
Sen. Jerry W. Black (R)
Sen. John Brenden (R)
Sen. Mike Cooney (D)
Sen. Larry Jent (D)
Sen. Joseph (Joe) Tropila (D)
Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Carolyn Squires (D)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Dave Bohyer, Legislative Branch
Libby Goodwin, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 199, 1/26/2009; SB 267,
1/26/2009

Executive Action: SB 90, SB 229, SB 227

HEARING ON SB 199

00:00:08 **Opening Statement by Sponsor:** Sen. Mike Cooney (D), SD 40, opened the hearing on SB 199, Promote alternative transportation by state employees.

EXHIBIT(sts22a01)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:07:13 David Rusoff, Chair, Try Another Way State Employees Committee (TAWSE)

00:11:18 Pat Foster, Former Chair, Try Another Way State Employees Committee (TAWSE)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:15:59 None

Informational Testimony:

00:16:03 Lou Moore, Department of Environmental Quality

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:16:25 Sen. Balyeat

00:17:18 Sen. Cooney

00:18:47 Sen. Balyeat

00:19:04 **Closing by Sponsor:** Sen. Cooney

HEARING ON SB 267

00:21:11 **Opening Statement by Sponsor:** Sen. Bradley Hamlett (D), SD 10, opened the hearing on SB 267, Electronic disclosure of campaign literature before release.

EXHIBIT(sts22a02)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:23:18 None

Informational Testimony:

00:23:25 Dennis Unsworth, Commissioner of Political Practices (COPP)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:25:14 Chuck Denowh, Campaign Manager

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:26:55 Sen. Balyeat
00:28:16 Sen. Hamlett
00:28:52 Sen. Balyeat
00:30:08 Sen. Hamlett
00:30:32 Sen. Balyeat
00:31:22 Chairman Shockley
00:31:26 Sen. Hamlett
00:32:14 Chairman Shockley
00:32:32 Sen. Black
00:32:53 Sen. Hamlett
00:33:11 Sen. Bales
00:34:09 Dennis Unsworth, COPP
00:35:42 Sen. Bales
00:36:26 Dennis Unsworth, COPP
00:36:58 Sen. Balyeat
00:37:24 Dennis Unsworth, COPP
00:38:42 Sen. Brenden
00:39:07 Dennis Unsworth, COPP
00:38:58 Sen. Brenden
00:39:20 Dennis Unsworth, COPP
00:40:42 Chairman Shockley
00:41:09 Dennis Unsworth, COPP
00:41:48 Chairman Shockley

00:42:23 **Closing by Sponsor:** Sen. Hamlett

00:43:18 Sen. Shockley

00:43:36 recess

00:51:04 reconvene

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 90

00:52:10 Chairman Shockley

00:52:14 Dave Bohyer

EXHIBIT(sts22a03)

00:53:10 **Motion:** Sen. Balyeat moved that **SB 90 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:53:23 Sen. Brueggeman

00:53:34 Chairman Shockley

00:53:48 Dave Bohyer

00:54:28 Chairman Shockley

00:54:32 Mark Cadwallader, Department of Administration (DOA)

00:57:11 Sen. J. Tropila

00:57:23 Mark Cadwallader, DOA

00:58:08 **Motion:** Sen. Bales moved that **SB 90 BE AMENDED**
(Exhibit 3).

00:58:23 Sen. J. Tropila

00:58:35 Dave Bohyer

00:58:44 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen.
Squires and Sen. Cooney voted by proxy.

00:59:07 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Bales moved that **SB 90 DO PASS AS**
AMENDED. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
Sen. Squires and Sen. Cooney voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 227

01:00:21 **Motion:** Sen. Windy Boy moved that **SB 227 DO PASS.**

01:01:00 **Motion:** Sen. Black moved that **SB 227 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(sts22a04)

Discussion:

01:01:40 Dave Bohyer

01:03:23 Chairman Shockley

01:03:33 Sen. Balyeat

01:03:36 Chairman Shockley

01:03:42 Sen. Balyeat

01:04:13 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen.
Squires and Sen. Cooney voted by proxy.

01:04:31 **Motion:** Sen. Bales moved that **SB 227 DO PASS AS AMENDED** (Exhibit 4).

01:04:39 Sen. Brenden
01:05:51 Sen. Black
01:06:08 Sen. Brueggeman
01:06:54 Sen. Black
01:06:57 Sen. Brenden
01:15:31 Chairman Shockley
01:15:38 Sen. Cooney
01:15:45 Chairman Shockley
01:15:55 Sen. Cooney

01:07:09 **Vote:** Motion carried 9-2 by voice vote with Sen. Brenden and Sen. Windy Boy voting no. Sen. Squires and Sen. Cooney voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 229

01:08:39 **Motion:** Sen. Windy Boy moved that **SB 229 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

01:09:15 Sen. Cooney
01:12:08 Sen. Balyeat
01:13:28 Sen. Bales
01:14:32 Sen. Cooney
01:15:06 Sen. Bales
01:16:54 Chairman Shockley
01:17:24 Sen. Cooney
01:18:19 Sen. Black
01:18:44 Sen. Cooney
01:18:49 Sen. Brueggeman
01:21:35 Sen. J. Tropila

01:21:45 **Vote:** Motion carried 6-5 by roll call vote with Sen. Cooney, Sen. Jent, Sen. Squires, Sen. Tropila, and Sen. Windy Boy voting no. Sen. Squires voted by proxy.

01:24:16 Chairman Shockley
01:24:22 Sen. Windy Boy
01:24:26 Chairman Shockley

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:25 P.M.

Libby Goodwin, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([sts22aad.pdf](#))